

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Lee, et al.

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For:

NOVEL **FULL-LENGTH GENOMIC** RNA OF **JAPANESE** ENCEPHALITIS VIRUS, INFECTIOUS JEV CDNA THEREFROM, AND

USE THEREOF

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated July 22, 2008. The three month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on October 22, 2008. A three month Petition for Extension of Time and fee are attached hereto, extending the period for reply to January 22, 2009. In view of the following remarks and amendments, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding rejections, and allow all claims pending in this application.

Please amend the captioned application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.